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## WORMS? GIVES YOU DEEP SATISFACTION

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"...In execution of colorful, animated graphics, gives the player an intuitive feeling for hitherto unseen mathematical relationships..."

There is a deep satisfaction to be gleaned from **WORMS?** in seeing and hearing the harmonies of pattern."

## WORMS? IS BOTH ELEMENTAL AND SOPHISTICATED

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"If you train an especially successful worm, you can save it on your disc and bring it back later to test it in conditions created by the presence of different **WORMS?**... again, both elemental and sophisticated..."

## THE MOST IMAGINATIVE AND FUN GAME

By Michael Moore,  
Satisfied Customer, San Francisco

"I've never written a company simply to praise a product but having recently bought **WORMS?** I must say that it is the most imaginative and fun game I've played... it was instantly appealing, and I bought it on the spot." We're receiving many similar, complimentary letters from consumers all over the country.

## M.U.L.E. IS A SUPERLATIVE GAME

By John Anderson,  
CREATIVE COMPUTING

"The graphics, sound and humor in this game are superlative, and though the kids won't suspect it in the least, they'll be learning the laws of economics as they play."

## A HEART THRILLER

By David Grady,  
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"M.U.L.E., by DAN and BILL BUNTEN, JIM RUSHING and ALLEN WATSON, will thrill the hearts of all who enjoy **MONOPOLY** or **RISK**, not to mention the kids who have never heard of those games and would rather fantasize about colonizing a distant planet..."

## NEW DIMENSIONS TO A STRONG BASIC GAME CONCEPT

By the Editors of SOFTALK

"**AXIS ASSASSIN** is obviously patterned after the coin-op game **TEMPEST**, which bred such **APPLE** versions as **TUNNEL TERROR** and **TUBEWAY**.

This time, though, author **JOHN FIELD** has added things not found in either game. Not even in **TEMPEST**...the game is quite enjoyable."